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Sir:

The Office Action mailed November 5, 2003, established a three-month shortened statutory time period to respond. As such, the three-month shortened statutory time to respond is

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February 5, 2004. This Response is being filed on February 5, 2004, within the three-month shortened statutory time period.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3; **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4; **Remarks** begin on page 11; and the **Conclusion** begins on page 13 of this paper.